

Live-News From Surrounding Towns And Country. Happenings of a Week

IRONSIDE OREGON.

March 29, 1915.

The Ironside baseball team are getting anxious for a game with Unity and Malheur. The boys had a practice game on Thursday, also one on Sunday with the scissor-bills. A game is expected with Unity on Easter Sunday in order to initiate their new suits.

La Fountain of Brady Candy Co. of Boise, Mr. Sprinkle of Portland Rasmussen & Co., Cudahy meat man of Boise, Mr. Rosenbaum of Salt Lake City, Mr. Dooley of Baker grocery, Mr. Southerland of Basche Hdw. Co. were all visitors at Ironside store during the week.

Six loads of hogs left here on Wednesday night for Brogan enroute on shipment to Portland by G. E. Rutherford. W. R. Lofton, Will Quinn, Walter McGarr, Chas. Elms and Bert Lawrence assisted in hauling them.

Fred and Walter Lawrence of Prairie, who fed their cattle in this vicinity moved their stock to the head of the creek the last of the week. The family will be moving to Flag Prairie soon.

C. W. Kibler returned from the county seat on Thursday with a bride from Kentucky. They will make their home here on the lately acquired place from Scott Davis. A hearty and noisy chivari was given the newly weds at John Smith's on the evening of their arrival. Best wishes for their welfare were extended by their friends in this community.

Miss Mabel Horton of Bonita was a week end visitor at Julia Smith's. Jack Howard, little son of Chas. Howard, returned home the middle of the week after a month's visit with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Molthan at Ontario.

Julia Smith and two sons returned from Ontario the middle of the week after a six weeks stay, owing to sickness with measles.

J. M. Tyler and Chas. Howard went to Ontario and the county seat the first of the week, returning the latter part with freight for W. J. Hinton.

Chas. Anthony made a trip to Brogan on Thursday, returning Saturday with a thoroughbred hog.

A. N. Towler made a trip to Baker last of the week after freight for the Ironside store, returning on Sunday.

John Smith made a trip to Baker first of the week to have Dr. Pierce attend his eyes, but found Dr. Pierce had gone east on his arrival.

Ben Rutherford returned to the Unity vicinity where he is employed at W. L. Morfitt's.

Frank Riley, of Whitney, passed through last week enroute to Malheur to visit with friends of that place.

Connor Young and family moved to their homestead the first of the week.

Earl Van Buren, while playing ball on Thursday received a severe sprain in his left ankle.

Stan Van Buren and family moved to their homestead on Wednesday.

H. C. Elms of Unity was a visitor at his daughter's, Myrtle Hinton, over Sunday, returning home on Monday. He brought with him several hundred pounds of home cured meat which is being handled at the Ironside store. Mr. Elms took back a load of provisions with him.

Thelma and Elton Smith returned from Ontario last week where they have been attending school.

Miss Mary Lacey who has been visiting in Ontario the past three months, returned to her home here the last of the week.

Oscar Rutherford and family moved to their homestead near Carlile Butte the first of the week, where they will stay for a short time to do their spring work, then they will move to the King sawmill on West Camp where they will be employed for the summer.

Loyd Weaver and family of Bonita who have been employed at the Lacey farm the past five months have returned to their farm at Bonita.

Arthur Young returned from Ontario on Saturday after a two weeks visit with friends at Ontario.

Willie Bunt returned from Brogan with a load of freight on Sunday for Walter Hinton.

Claude Derrick and family of Malheur have moved to the Lacey home, where Mr. Derrick will be employed on the farm.

A. E. Nichols went to Brogan on Monday to meet his family after spending the winter in Ontario. Mr. Nichols will begin hauling lumber from Ontario soon to build a new \$2800 dwelling house on his place at

FRUITLAND ITEMS.

March 22, 1915.

A good number of our Fruitland people attended the sacred concert given by the Payette high school under the direction of Prof. T. R. Neilson at the Emma theatre Sunday afternoon. The building was packed and the concert was good. Prof. Neilson is also teaching music in the Fruitland schools and under his direction the eighth grade pupils will give a concert April 16.

The high school declamation contest will be held in the Methodist church this Tuesday evening. The one who wins will go to Nampa to enter the state contest which will be held there April 16. Admission 15 and 10 cents will be charged here.

The seniors will give their play, "Mr. Bob," April 30. Martha Stevens and Enid Griep visited Rev. Cyles and family at Payette Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Frost and children were entertained Sunday evening at the A. Stetler home.

The girls' basketball team of the high school will play against the New Plymouth team at New Plymouth Friday. They played at Fruitland March 18, the score was 18 to 3 in favor of Fruitland.

The free picture show given at Franks hall and the children's races and a horse race afforded amusement for a good crowd Saturday afternoon. Noble Peacock won the horse race, the prize was a pair of overalls. Pete Johnson treated the children to about a half barrel of candy.

Guy Graham has been appointed fruit inspector by the state horticultural board after much controversy.

The bond election which was to have been held Tuesday of this week was postponed. The school board will meet April 12 when they will make arrangements for holding an election later.

Mrs. Van Ahin is quite sick. Dr. Bright says she has symptoms of typhoid fever.

The Ladies Aid of the Methodist church will meet at the home of Mrs. G. W. Cotton Thursday afternoon of this week. Refreshments will be served. All members are requested to be present.

The Mothers' Circle will hold their regular meeting Friday afternoon Mrs. Stamey of Payette is expected to be present and address the meeting.

A. E. Stegner recently put in a large gasoline tank and installed a pump to pump the gasoline. He will sell at wholesale and give tickets and deliver in small quantities to suit the users.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Quarterman are the parents of a daughter, born March 22.

Mr. Schree, who has been conducting a picture show here, announces he will give six reels of good pictures every Friday night at Frank's Hall.

Mr. T. C. Howard met with a very painful accident last Monday. While milking, the cow stepped on his foot and in trying to free himself the cow caused him to fall in such a manner that one of his ankle bones was broken.

The Fruitland schools were closed the first of the week to fumigate the school rooms on account of diphtheria.

Chas. Davis, who formerly lived here, was chosen from the Payette high school to go to Nampa last week as one of the debaters in the contest at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hunter drove to Mr. J. O. Scritchfield's, near Ontario, last Thursday. He also attended Sunday school at the Methodist church Sunday, the first he has been able to go since last October.

Rev. C. E. Deal, conference missionary secretary, was in Nampa Tuesday and Wednesday of last week to conduct a missionary institute.

Francis Rose went to Baker the last of the week for a few days visit with his family.

Mr. Alex. Fraser, horse buyer of Baker, was in the vicinity the last of the week purchasing horses.

Mr. Phelps of Brogan arrived in the vicinity on Monday on business.

Mrs. Dunean entertained a number of friends to dinner on Sunday.

John Smith and family spent Friday at the Scott Davis home.

New Plymouth Brevities.

Mrs. John Bankers arranged a very pleasant surprise Friday evening for Miss Minnie Lewis who on Wednesday becomes the bride of Dale May. The affair took the form of a miscellaneous "shower," which was contributed to by over 60 friends of the happy young couple. Miss Lewis has grown to womanhood in this section, and is greatly loved by all who know her. Mr. May is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. May and has a host of friends who are offering their congratulations upon his approaching marriage. The ceremony will take place at Caldwell Wednesday, and after a brief honeymoon trip Mr. and Mrs. May will establish their home in New Plymouth.

Mr. and Mrs. Pickens of Watseka, Neb., are here looking after their orchard just east of town. Mr. and Mrs. Pickens are delighted with the fine weather and are comparing the warm sunny days and the progress of spring work with the cold disagreeable weather which has prevailed in Nebraska for weeks past.

The Boy Scouts and their master, W. B. Baker, enjoyed a hike and fishing trip to the Big Willow a few days ago. The boys who are a sturdy lot of youngsters took especial pleasure in preparing the meals, and doing other work incidental to camp life. Mr. Baker is proud of his boys and the interest which they manifest in their organization.

New Plymouth people are anticipating with considerable pleasure the evening of April 14 when Mrs. Geo. Soller will give her famous reading of "Madam Butterfly" in the assembly room of the high school. This is one of the many fine numbers which the newly organized bureau of Boise lyeum talent is presenting in southern Idaho and eastern Oregon. This is the production which was first introduced in Boise before the Columbian Club, and which some of those members have been instrumental in sending to other parts of the state.

Twenty of the high school students will present "Hicks at College" in the near future for the benefit of the baseball boys. All of the plays given so far by the high school have been of a high order and this one promises to be equally so. The money will be used to purchase suits for the baseball team.

Little Bernard Eastman, four years old, is quite ill with Bright's disease. A trained nurse from Boise is in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Wood of Gooding are here looking after business interests. Mr. and Mrs. Wood purchased several car loads of cull apples here last fall which they sold in the Gooding district. They are planning to ship some this spring if a sufficient quantity is available.

Miss Mariam L. Woodberry and Rev. Ludwig Thompson, superintendent of Congregational Missions, will speak at the Congregational church April 1st. Miss Woodberry comes to study conditions and impart information concerning home missionary work.

Miss Ruby Landon, a newcomer here and who possesses a sweet and cultured voice, will sing several solos.

A spirit of activity is abroad throughout the length of the valley—plowing, seeding and the spraying of orchards is the chief work just now—the magnificent weather conditions which have prevailed for the last few weeks has been the means of pushing spring work well ahead. Orchardists report that the fruit spurs are thickly set and with the partial rest that some varieties of apples had last year that the 1915 crop should be a bumper one. A larger acreage than usual is being prepared for corn this year. The improved soil conditions has made the growing of this staple grain a very profitable one and it is stated by old eastern farmers that quite as good corn can be raised here as in many sections of Nebraska and Illinois.

A large number of silos were built in 1913-1914 by the farmers of the valley, and many more are contemplating building the coming season. Father Nolan is the proud possessor of a new Ford runabout, the gift of the members of the Catholic church at Payette. Father Nolan is pastor of the Payette, New Plymouth and Parma Missions.

Mrs. C. W. Stover and son Edwin, Orville Walters and Miss Lulu Tompkins enjoyed a trip to Boise the last of this week, returning Saturday evening a time to attend the Grange picnic.

A most enjoyable affair was the birthday party given Sunday afternoon by little Miss Mildred Conklin to her friends in honor of her seventh birthday. The little folks present were: Helen and Lucile Clement, Vera and Bessie Rose, Jean and Ruth Butler, Eula Gramse, Helen Wells, Rose and Cora Bender, Ida Seelye, Richard and Thomas Kennedy, Volney and Murdo Hickox. Later in the evening Mrs. J. M. Butler, Mrs. E. J. Rose, and Mrs. Sam Seelye called. A dainty luncheon of ice cream and cake was served.

Miss Helen Wells, who has been attending school on Dead Ox Flat, has been visiting this week at the V. V. Hickox home.

Mr. John Dawson spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Spainbower near Fruitland.

Miss Stella Millikin and Miss Theodosia Wells spent the week end with Miss Jean Conklin.

Don Conklin returned from Juntura Monday.

The Basket Pound social held at the Grange hall, Saturday night, was well attended and thoroughly enjoyed by all. The weighing was perhaps the most fun of the evening, all finding that after a short time spent in the hall, they had gained several pounds. The literary program was a success, and we noted several visitors from Ontario and the St. Paul neighborhood.

Mr. Hoffman was on the Boulevard Wednesday gathering young cattle to be taken to the range near Ironside for summer feeding.

Harold Mallett and Pete Countryman were guests to dinner at the Conklin ranch Sunday.

Mr. E. B. Conklin who has been very ill with La Grippe the past week, is slowly improving.

Mrs. C. E. Amidon has been very sick the past few days and all join in wishing her a speedy recovery.

The Boulevard Grange drill team will initiate some new grangers for the Arcadia Grange at the Grange hall Saturday evening, April 3rd, and it is expected the event will bring a good crowd.

E. B. Conklin and son Donald made a business trip to Nyssa, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. V. V. Hickox entertained at dinner Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. A. Gramse and family, Mrs. H. L. Hickox and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hawkins.

Mrs. A. H. McGregor and Mrs. Ben Rose spent Sunday with Mrs. C. E. Amidon.

Mrs. George Wright and daughter, Miss Sarah, from near Weiser, were visiting relatives in this section the latter part of this week.

The cast of the Grange play were royally entertained at the Mallett ranch, Monday evening.

KINGMAN KOLONY NEWS.

Peter Mellink has leased the A. E. Wade farm for three years. Mr. Mellink is an enterprising young Hollander who has been in this country about five years.

Miss Dorothy Pilcher, of Sparta, Wis., has arrived in the Kolony and will be the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Maxwell, for the summer.

A force of carpenters from New Plymouth will commence work on H. D. Thompson's new bungalow this week. Mr. Thompson is a popular and successful teacher in the New Plymouth school and has been engaged to teach the Kolony school the coming year. He recently bought a forty acre ranch here, and he and his wife will move over from New Plymouth as soon as school closes.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Llan, formerly of Nyssa, have moved into the "White House" on Mr. Kingman's land. Mr. Llan has rented a part of Mr. Kingman's land.

A sewing class of nine members has been organized among the girls of our school. Miss Florence Kingman will instruct them. The boys are considering forming a manual training class, but have not yet completed their organization. Mrs. William Waltz has had charge of the school since Miss Carlson resigned and is proving a most efficient teacher.

On the evening of March 18, Miss Kingman entertained a party of 15 young people in honor of Miss Helen Peck's birthday anniversary. A hilarious evening was spent playing games and a dainty lunch was served. When the birthday cake was cut, it was found that Dorothy Pilcher had drawn the thimble, Earl Warren the ring and Helen Peck the coin.

The Moses home was the scene of a gay party the night of March 19th, the occasion being in honor of the twentieth birthday anniversary of

I had a whole day at my disposal and decided to visit the Ontario High School, and make a tour of the different departments. I first visited Miss Clark's senior-junior English class. They were studying Carlyle's Essay on Burns, and discussing the different poems referred to in the essay. I was told that the seniors were also writing their orations and made a report on the material they had read and outlined every Friday, while upon that day the juniors reported upon a current event. Next I was conducted to Mr. Baily's first year history class, and I found it very interesting. Mr. Baily has a unique way of calling the roll, when a pupil has his lesson he is "present," but even if he is there, if he hasn't prepared his lesson he answers "absent." It rather startled me when a girl behind me upon hearing her name called answered "absent," in a matter of course voice, but when Mr. Baily explained his system I thought it a very good one. Every Monday morning this class has a debate upon historical topics, next Monday the question to be debated upon is, "Resolved, That the greatest cause of Greece and Rome was wealth—applied to both the individual and State." This topic was discussed in class and how the conditions in the United States compare with those of Greece and Rome before their downfall. Mr. Hiles' commercial department came next. The spelling class was having a "spell down" and interest ran high. In their "correspondence" course they were writing business letters, and I saw many samples of model business letters. From there I strayed into the science department, conducted by Mr. Williams. A chemistry recitation was in progress. One of the pupils made a very good and interesting report upon the chemistry of paints, varnishes, leather, wool, cotton, silk, and rubber, after which the class discussed the development and history of the method of deviation of atomic and molecular weights of the different elements. The physics class also proved very interesting, they were studying the magnetic and heating effect of electricity, and also telegraphy. Three small stations were fitted up in the laboratory, "New York," "Chicago," and "San Francisco," and the pupils sent messages and received them from the different stations. I next found my way to the Pedagogy class taught by Mr. Pater. The pupils there were studying the principles of grammar, again familiarizing themselves with the rules, etc., before teaching it in the grades. I found the class to be very dignified and intelligent. I'm sure they will all make splendid teachers.

Last, but by no means least, I visited the Domestic Science and Art department, conducted by Miss Gray. This occasion was most enjoyable because the girls were making delicious little individual sponge cakes, and of course donated one to the "company." The class was studying batter and dough concoctions and the tales told of the delicious popovers, sponge and angel cakes are no less surprising than true. The art class was solving the problems of pattern making, moulding, etc., two girls working together and fitting each other. When my tour was completed I found that it was time for school to be dismissed. I had no idea that it was so late, and thought what a very short and agreeable day.

The contest at Vale last Saturday night was won by Nyssa and the looks down from its accustomed perch with the friedly gleam of an old quince. The high school debating teams were entertained by Miss Gordon Dikeman at the residence of her aunt, Mrs. E. Hall, on Friday evening, March 27. A delightful time is reported by the people. A party of Nyssa Masons motored Ontario last Friday evening for the purpose of attending the lecture delivered by W. C. Bristol. The party consisted of Messrs. L. Spier, J. H. Wall, D. Tensen, A. C. Palmer, S. D. (unreadable). A mothers' meetin' was held by W. C. T. U. in the Methodist church. Later refreshments were served in the basement of the parsonage. The Methodist choir met at the home of Miss Lulu Megorden on the evening of March 26 for the purpose of practicing their Easter songs. After the practice a dainty lunch was served. Miss Doris Mitchell has been seriously ill for the past few weeks. Miss Bessie Boydell and Mr. Caldwell of Nyssa delivered lectures at the Warren school house last Friday on the subject of The Future of Young America. The court scene from the Merchant of Venice will be one of the main features of the program given next Friday by the associated student body. Another interesting number will be the Easter edition of the seventh and eighth grade Gazette. P. J. Phillips and Arnold Cook have consented to furnish music. Miss Pearl Wallace was thrown from her horse, while returning home from school last week. Aside from a few slight bruises, Miss Wallace was unharmed and is again attending school. Cody Butler of Arcadia is now attending school at Nyssa. A Mormon church is being erected at the corner of Park avenue and The street. The ladies of the Nyssa Civic Club are contemplating the presentation of a play "Aunt Dinah's Quilting Party" the returns of which will be spent in purchasing a bubbling fountain for the city. The banquet given by the Oddfellows last Saturday night in honor of Rebecca was attended by a large crowd and was a great success. The Nyssa barber shop of Mr. Chas. Davidson changed hands, the new owner being Delm Gibson. Mr. E. Kenville, who for the three months has been visiting his home at Abrams, Wisconsin, has returned to Nyssa.

VALUE OF CROP ROTATION.

No real friend of agriculture advocates the heedless raising of things. That has ruined too much good land in this country in the past. It is wasting the fertility of many acres now. But raising things by good farming is a different proposition, because it requires the maintenance of the means of raising them. The first essential to a good system of farming is a crop rotation, the next proper and profitable use of the products. A prevailing crop rotation is usually the result of the past experience of the farmers of the locality, and it should not be lightly discarded. But it may have become a sort of habit. It might be much improved. This is worth thinking about. Is the rotation followed the best possible one? Could it be changed with benefit to the farm and farmer? What have been the effects of the past system on the land and on its present capacity to produce good crops?—National Stockman and Farmer.

Archie Moses. The young people spent the evening playing games and had a royal good time. A general clean-up is in progress in the Kolony, everyone being busy burning weeds and cleaning out irrigation ditches, and a great deal of new land is being put under cultivation.

MRS. KELLEY IS CONVALESCING

The many friends of Mrs. Kelley of Payette will be glad to hear that she is convalescing from the serious operation she underwent in the Holy Rosary hospital last Saturday. Mrs. Kelley who is editor of the Payette Independent, is in Ontario and will remain for several days.

Easter Song Festival.

Congregational church, Sunday April 4. Morning service: Anthem—Rejoice Evermore..... Chas. H. Gable Invocation Gloria Patri Responsive Reading Hymn—Christ the Lord is Risen Scripture Lesson Hymn Pastoral Prayer Hymn—Golden Harps are Sounding Announcements Anthem—God is not the God of the Dead..... (Roger Cost) Sermon Anthem—Savior thy Dying Love..... Benediction Evening service: Hymn—The Day of Resurrection Lord's Prayer in Unison Anthem—Glory to Glory's King..... Chas. H. Gable Scripture Lesson Anthem—God so Loved the World Hymn—Hail to the Lord Pastoral Prayer Solo..... Mrs. Peterson Announcements Anthem—The King of Easter Day..... J. Wesley Hughes Easter Thoughts..... Rev. Koenig Duett—Mrs. Peterson and Miss Kroessin Hymn—Hark the Voice of Love and Mercy Benediction